



# Kelston Boys High School International

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## Kia ora, Greetings from Kelston International

It has been a very busy year with term one and term two. Our International students are well settled into their courses, term 2 exams are completed and reports will be posted out later this month.

Just a reminder that all International students in Years 11, 12 & 13 are required to be registered for NCEA. Students will be sitting NCEA exams at the end of the year in the subjects they have studied. This means all International students will go home after studying at Kelston Boys with a NCEA Certificate (if achieved) and a Record of Learning. The cost for registering for NCEA is NZ\$375.00. It has been great to see how many of our students are involved with school sports teams particularly Rugby and Soccer.

Lyn Malaugh  
International Director



## SWINE FLU

With swine flu being ranked as a worldwide pandemic 12.6.2009, a letter from the International Office was posted to all International student homestays. This letter is reproduced here in the newsletter:

10 June 2009

To Parents / Caregivers of International Students

Recently the first cases of pandemic influenza were identified in New Zealand. No students at Kelston Boys High School have been identified as having this influenza but as a precaution we put some health measures to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus in a school newsletter. These are repeated below.

The best things you can do to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus are to:-

- \* Stay at home and away from others if you are sick.
- \* Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue.
- \* Put used tissues into a rubbish bin.
- \* Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth as germs spread that way.
- \* Be careful to wash your hands often with soap and dry them thoroughly. **Hand hygiene is critical.** Even when you start to feel better there is still a risk of infecting others, so keep to the 20/20 rule – 20 seconds washing and 20 seconds drying.
- \* Keep surfaces clean at home, school and work.
- \* Contact a doctor if you are sick and you will need a medical clearance before returning to school.

Students should contact the school nurse if they are feeling unwell and also inform their homestay parents/caregiver.

If you have any queries about the pandemic influenza please contact the school nurse or Mrs Malaugh.

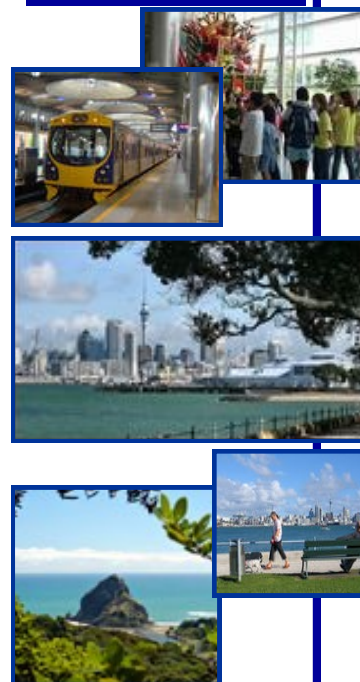
Lyn Malaugh  
Director of International Students.

## IN THE NEWS

Kelston International values your achievements and the significant events in your life. We invite you to share your personal, professional, cultural or other achievements with your fellow alumni through the International Newsletter.

Please feel free to drop us an email at :

international@kbhs.school.nz



## TOP 5 QUALITY OF LIVING RANKING FOR CITIES WORLDWIDE

Media release 29th April 2009

<http://www.mercer.com/qualityofliving#Top5rankingcitiesbyregion>

Auckland is one of the best cities in the world to live in according to Mercer's 2009 Worldwide Quality of Living Survey.

In the international consultancy and investment service providers survey of 215 cities, Auckland was ranked fourth equal with Vancouver, rising from fifth last year.

The winning city was the Austrian capital of Vienna, with Swiss cities Zurich and Geneva ranked second and third.

The big Australian cities came in behind Auckland. Sydney was ranked 10th, Melbourne 18th, Perth 21st, Adelaide 30th and Brisbane 34th.

Mercer determines rankings of 39 criteria, including political, social, economic and environmental factors, plus health, education, transport and other public services. The data was collected between September and November last year.



**During 2009 we will continue to introduce you to a number of our staff who work in depth with International students**



I am a recently arrived ESOL teacher at Kelston Boys High School. I have taught ESOL and Literacy acquisition at other schools in Auckland and enjoy the diverse nature of the job.

I have travelled overseas a number of times and have had many multi-cultural experiences. This has enabled me to gain knowledge and understanding of other cultures and to put it to good use in the classroom.

I look forward to getting to know our ESOL students better next term as I will be spending a lot more time with them.

*Jenni McAuslan*

### Student Success

Congratulations to Roland Williams, who competed in the inaugural Point Chevalier RSA Karaoke competition. Roland won this event, beating strong opposition from very experienced Karaoke singers. Whilst Roland is used to singing in a band, this was his first experience at Karaoke and therefore a remarkable success.



Thanks to Mr Mike Ward (Manager of the Point Chevalier RSA) and Mrs Ward-Kim for their support. Roland is now going to enter Maori television's Maori Karaoke competition, so look for him on TV.

### Web 2.0 Update

[www.kbhs.school.nz](http://www.kbhs.school.nz)

Kelston International now has its own Facebook site. Former students who have given us their email address have been invited to join and keep in touch with us this way. Check out our website - International for our new blog - giving up to date news of International students' activities. You may be asked to contribute to the blog very soon.

### ANZA

April 22nd - 23rd 2009

Last holidays Kelston Girls College and Kelston Boys High School marketed together at the ANZA 2009 Agent Workshop held here in Auckland. It was certainly a busy time meeting education agents from all around the world.

Kelston Girls College and Kelston Boys High School are working together on a number of collaborative marketing initiatives.

Thanks to Ms Adriana Rocha of Australia & NZ Travel Education, Buenos Aires and Ms Angela Younger, The Winnett House, Nova Scotia, who visited Kelston Boys High School during the ANZA Workshop.

### FAM Trip

This was organised by Study Auckland in conjunction with the ANZA Workshop. It involved a selected group of 6 agents who visited a variety of education providers (12) and took part in some outdoor activities. This appeared to be a very full exciting schedule for the agents involved, with sky jump/skywalk, the Harbour Bridge climb and sailing on Auckland's Waitemata Harbour, as well as joining school representatives for evening meals.

The group visited Kelston Boys High School on Thursday 30th April where they were treated to a traditional Maori welcome (powhiri) and then visited classrooms to observe students and teachers in action. Thanks to the following agencies who took part and visited Kelston Boys High School:

- ◆ *Network Japan Ltd*  
- Kyoiku Bunka
- ◆ *Centre for Studying Abroad* - China
- ◆ *Milton Int. Education Group*  
- Hong Kong
- ◆ *G A International Study* - Switzerland



**Students Story - Napolioni Vuetibula - Fiji**

Bula Vinaka, my name is Napolioni Vuetibula Junior. I am 19 years old, and I came from the beautiful islands of Fiji. I am the second eldest in my family of 3 siblings. I am here on a scholarship given by Kelston Boys High School, and I am really fortunate and grateful to have this once in a lifetime chance. I have never thought of securing a scholarship to come and study overseas, but when given a chance I am really happy and most of all so is my family.



One major difference between Auckland and Fiji is the culture and life style. Auckland has a more western influence compared to Fiji. I also found out that Auckland consists of different kinds of people from different backgrounds and races. Compared to Fiji where basically Fijian and Indians dominate the population.

I like Auckland because there is a big Fijian community here and they are very welcoming. Also, there are a lot of Pacific Island people which we are similar to, in many ways. I like KBHS because it's more like my old school, the friendly teachers and brotherhood amongst the students. My homestay is really awesome, they make me feel at home and also are very supportive academically and with my sport.

I love reading, watching TV and playing rugby. I am playing for the 1st XV of the school and it has been a great experience for me. I really admire the spirit of KBHS rugby. My main goal is to have good academic qualifications, have a good job and live my life here in New Zealand. Also continue playing rugby until I reach my Mount Everest.

**Students Story - Nathan Hughes - Fiji**

My name is Nathan William Hughes. I was born in the Fiji Islands in the year 1991. I turned 18 on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2009. This is my first year at Kelston and it is one of the best years of my schooling career. I'm a proud year 13 student of Kelston Boys High School.

I was raised up in the city of Lautoka, which is in Fiji. I have one sister who is the eldest and after her is my brother and then me. I am the youngest in my family.

My subject combination is English, Maths, Photography, Automotive and Rugby Academy. Coming to New Zealand was a big change. For example New Zealand is bigger than Fiji, a greater population, a lot of things that come to my interest, and a lot of opportunities are offered here in New Zealand for young people of today. The purpose of my being here in New Zealand is to better my study in school so that I can become something in life and to better my rugby skills.

My goals in coming to New Zealand are, if possible, for an opportunity to play for a club, NPC Club, Super 14 team or any rugby players dream, to play for the All Blacks.

The thing that I like about KBHS is the brotherhood that is being shown to me.

The most interesting thing that I have enjoyed is going up Sky Tower and going to watch Super 14 players in the Blues team.

**Students Story - Jope Dausiga - Fiji**

My name is Jope Veisugusuga Dausiga and I come from the Islands of Fiji. I have two sisters and a brother and they all live in Fiji with my parents.

I have been given the opportunity to study at Kelston Boys High School as an International and Scholarship student. I have come to New Zealand to further my education and develop my rugby skills. My goal is to get a rugby contract and make a life in New Zealand. There is not much difference between Fiji and Auckland but the only difference is technology where New Zealand is much more advanced. What I like about New Zealand is that there are lots of opportunities in terms of education and rugby which is can be achieved through hard work and determination.

The interesting things that I have done here in New Zealand is watching the Super 14 live, touring with the rugby team, going to beaches with friends and meeting new friends.

**Important Dates****Term 1****28/1/2009 - 9/4/2009****Term 2****27/4/2009 - 3/7/2009****Term 3****20/7/2009 - 25/9/2009****Term 4****12/10/2009 - 4/12/2009**